

The data contained therein is needed to develop a sampling scheme for the main Total Exposure Study. PM is committed to performing a scientific study with the objectives of determining the exposure of the U.S. population of adult cigarette smokers to whole cigarette smoke based on suitable biomarkers, investigating whether the smoke exposure of U.S. adult cigarette smokers differs for segments of FTC tar delivery (and from nonsmokers) and to explore potential biomarkers of health effects' use in population studies. To conduct the study in a scientific manner we need to sample the population of smokers in a way that will result in a sample that is representative of the smokers in the United States. To do so we need to have information on the distribution of smokers in the United States by the tar yield categories of interest. PM has the respective demographic data and this is known to the public health community.

Once the sampling scheme is implemented, the demographic characteristics of the sample can be compared with those for the U.S. This comparison will be an important one and one that is generally included in publications that discuss the study design.

We'd like to obtain an update of this information closer to the time that the sampling scheme will be implemented. This request is for a snapshot of the data and is not being requested for an extended period. Authorization is being requested to include this data (One time snapshot at the time of sampling) in publications that include the study design. This data also need to be made available to the contract research organization for discussion purposes and to conduct the sampling plan.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.



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